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TREASURY DEPT//INFO [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN CABINET SHUFFLE

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PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO RESHUFFLED HIS CABINET THIS WEEK WITH
MOST OF THE OLD MINISTERS RETAINED BUT GIVEN DIFFERENT PORTFOLIOS.
AN IMPORTANT CHANGE WAS THE REMOVAL OF MURASHIR HASAN AS FINANCE
MINISTER. HASAN HAS BEEN GENERALLY REGARDED AS ONE OF THE MORE
LEFT-LEANING, SOCIALIST-ORIENTED MEMBERS OF THE CABINET. HIS
REPLACEMENT IS A LITTLE-KNOWN FIGURE, EX-LABOR MINISTER MOHAMMAD
HAFIZ.

THE OUTGOING MINISTER OF LAW AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS,
ABDUL HAFIZ PHIRZADA, IS A YOUNG (36) PROTEGE OF BHUTTO S. HE
HAS BEEN REGARDED IN SOME QUARTERS AS THE PRIME MINISTER'S EVENTUAL

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SUCCESSOR. BHUTTO, HOWEVER, MAY HAVE RELIEVED PIRZADA OF THE IMPORTANT LAW PORTFOLIO TO PREVENT HIM FROM ACHIEVING MORE POWER AND PRESTIGE. PIRZADA HAS RETAINED TWO OTHER MINISTRIES AND HAS BEEN NAMED MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. THIS JOB COULD PROVE IMPORTANT GIVEN THE BHUTTO GOVERNMENT'S CONCERN ABOUT INDIA'S RECENT ENTRY INTO THE NUCLEAR CLUB AND ITS OWN LONG-TERM PLANS TO DEVELOP PAKISTAN'S NUCLEAR CAPABILITIES.

BHUTTO CONTINUES TO HOLD THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE PORTFOLIOS HIMSELF. HIS CLOSEST FOREIGN AFFAIRS ADVISER, AZIZ AHMED, REMAINS AS MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF RUNNING BOTH OF THESE KEY MINISTRIES. ER IMPDET. PH

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